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DAN AVERY
An Unexcelled American Comedian.

## THE SONS OF HAM

THE FIRST STOCK COMPANY EVER ORGANIZED.

**A Graphic Description of the Company by that Distinguished Journalists Thomas Allen The Bee's Representative—Hart and Avery the Leading Stars—The Renonwed Son and Opera Writer and Musical Performer Will Accooe—The Coming Comic Opera.**

Music lovers of the Capitol City have for the last few weeks fairly revelled in the enjoyment of this most delightful and entertaining of diversions.

Begining with the appearance of "The Smart Set" at the Empire Theater under the leadership of that prince of funny men Earnest Hogan who by his "having made good" has not only shown that the colored performer is capable of giving a high class, clean cut and entertaining performance but it has insured us a place where we can see the performance of our own race and be treated as respectable citizens shouid be without discrimination or humiliation.

Then we have been treated to the marvelous success of "Hiawatha" which has done a great deal toward opening the eyes of the community to the fact that we possess in our own city marvelous latint talent which only needs the touch of the hand of a Prof. Layton to cause it to shine out in all its effulgence.

But it has remained for those two kings of comedy Avery and Hart to give our best entertainment of the series. in their rendition of that most comical of plays "The Sons of Ham. While it is true that these two comedians are extremely entertaining of themselves and have received unlimited praise of the press and pvblic, yet it is noticeable that they are at present supported by one of the strongest combinations of colored performers in the country, under the leadership of the most popular and efficient musical director of our race in the person of William Accooe.

We give to our many readers this week the cuts of the stars as they appear upon the stage, and also some of their main supporters, with short sketches of their stage careers.

In the person of Charley Hart we have one of the most unique personages upon the American stage today. He presents to us the possibilities of young American manhood who by strict adherance to business principles by sticktuitiveness, and a predominant purpose to excel rising in the short space of three seasons, from a member of the chorus to one o the foremost comedians of his race. The subject of this sketch was born in Barnsville Ohio, in the year 1874 with environments not unlike those of other colored youths of his age. There was nothing in his early life that could ever anticipate the trend of life that he was later to follow and in which he bids fair to become so preeminent after studying in the public schools of his home village, he went to Wilberforce University where he remained during the years of '85 to '88, but being of an adventurous turn of mind like many a boy of the age of 15 years he left the restraints of school life, ran away to Cincinnatti and took up steam boating. It was here that he was enabled to study the comical side of the life of the colored deck hands, thereby unconsiously laying the foundation for the principle that were later to be his phenomical success.

In 1890 he joined the Texas Medley Quartette went back to Cleveland and there engaged in concert work with quite a deal of success as an amateur, one of these concerts was to assist in building the old folks home of Cleveland, thereby showing the benevolent side of his nature.

His nrst stage adventure was with the "South before the War Company," or a chorus man. In 1900 only three short years ago he came to New York to join the Williams and Walker Company as an understudy to Mr. Williams. This no doubt accounts for the striking similarity as seen by some between the two men. It was while with this Company that he met his most estimable and charming wife, who was at the time a member of the same company, that she has been a most wonderful help to him toward success is attested by all who have come in contack with them in their home life.

At the begining of the next season he was offered a position with the Hogan Company, then about to sail for Australia, but sickness which at that time may have seemed a hardship was simply a blessing in disguise, and prevented his joining the Company. While with the Williams and Walker Company he had met Dan Avery who was then doing the Vaudeville circuit with his wife as assistant. A friendship was formed between Hart and Avery and they decided to "double up." Their first appearance was on the bill with Weber and Fields, De Wolf Hopper, and Marie Dressler as a benefit given at Bay Shore and these two young men headed the bill in their special act "Zulu Babe," which was a phenominal hit.

They were then billed to play the Keiths Vaudeville circuit and on going to New York played for 22 successive Sunday evenings in the New York theater includiug three weeks in the Belle of Broadway production. The team then filled an engagement of nine weeks going over the Orpheum circuit to California thence returing to New York. They there signed contracts with Hartig and Seamar to start "The Sons of Ham." This play under their direction had a successful run for three months at the end of which time the management being unsatisfactory the show was given up and Hart and Avery again returned to Vaudeville. It was not long however before manager of the Empire Theater conceived the idea of organizing a colored Stock Company, and began negotations with Messrs. Hart and Avery looking to that end. The company was formed being the first Stock Company of colored players ever put upon the stage. The wisdom of which is attested by the immense houses that greet every performance.

So well is Mr. Avery known by all lovers of comedy and song that we need only call his name to introduce him at once to all our readers. Though only 24 years of age, still he is today known from coast to coast as the most versatite and attractive comedian on the stage. His stage career has been longer than that of any one of his age now staring dating practically from the age of 10 years when as a ragged, uncouth urchin he ran away from home with a circus, following it from his home to Dallas Texas, where he met an Uncle Tom Cabin Show and was engaged to play the part of Topsy, this position he held for two seasons, after which he joined Mahara's Minstrels as leading comedian and filled this position in an entirely satisfactory manner for 4 seasons. He was then engaged by Roscoe and Hillins Ministrels in which show he was leading comedian. After leaving this show he was engaged by the Black Patti Company to fill the place made vacant by the resignation of the comedian Earnest Hogan. It was while with this Company, in Montanna that he met his wife, whom he met on Friday and married on Saturday and of course we are not at all surprised that the next chapter should read that they are now divorced. However they played together for some time as the Avery's playing in all the leading Vaudeville house of the country.

It was fortunes decree however that he should meet and become associated with his present partner from which time until now their success has been of the most extraordinary character, Mr. Avery's personations are of the most perfect type, but possibly he is seen to best advantage as an inposonator in the jungle scene as Zulu Babe.

Upon no one however does the burdenof the successful production of this play rest heavier than upon its musical director Will Accooe and to those who have attended the theatre during the last week there has been no more pleasing spectacle than the dapper little man who wields the baton. and yet when we see him hurrying first to the orchestra and then back of the scenes we little know nor can we appreciate the immense amount of work laid out for him in order that the production may be a perfect success. One instance however will serve to illustrate this fact: He is seen in the front of the stage and all of a sudden he seems to have thought of something behind the scenes and rushes through the box and is lost to the view of the audience. The curtain then rises upon a beautiful church scene. The organ is heard to peel out the strains of that beautiful authem Inflamatus we forget the organist however so enrapped are we in the strains of heavenly music as sung by that beautiful choir and we should never surmise that the organist was none other than the director who so soon appears in front of the stage to again direct the orchestra and in this connection it would not be out of place to state that as a manipulator of a pipe organ Mr. Accooe stands in the fore ranks of the musicians of this country.

Mr. Accooe is still a very young man having only passed his 28th birtnday, and if we are to judge of his future accomplishments by his past successes he will yet be among the foremost composers of this country.

Mr. Accooe's educational facilities as a boy were somewhat limited owing to the fact that his father was a Methodist minister and in accord to the rules of that particular church was constantly moving from place to place. The most of his educatiou was received at Atlantic City, N. J., and at Normal College Princes Anne Md. But from a child he showed a decided inclination to music, both as to composition and execution. One of the incidents related by his mother is that when he was only seven years old, she had gone to the city to buy him a pair of shoes which she brought home in a box. After he had taken the shoes out of the box she was much surprised to see that he cared more for the box than for the shoes so she left him to himself and when she returned she found that he had made huge notes all over the lid of the box and was using the box for his piano on which to play his composition.

One would naturally think that so gifted a musician was the outgrowth of years of musical culture, not so however for while Mr. Accooe has labored hard and unceasingly to gain his present position still he has done it practically untutored save by the guiding hand of genius. The only musician of note who ever took an interest in him was one Carl Mindt a Professor of Vienna who gave him a scholarship in a private school.

Mr. Accooe was for two years organist of Zoar M. E. Church of Philadelphia after giving up this work he took three members of his family younger brothers and sisters and gave concerts in N, Y., which were a success in every particular. After a vain attempt at securing a position in N. Y., as organist Mr. Accooe abandoned churches and concert work and went into the theatrical business.

His first composition of note was the Centennial march dedicated to the Tennessee exposition which was so popular that 60,000 copies were sold upon the exposition gronds. It was during the exposition that Mr. Accooe gave one of his famous organ recitals at a meeting which was addressed by Booker T. Washington.

While in Nashville he began a comic Opera which is just being completed entitled Ethiopia. This opera is soon to be put upon the stage starring Avery and Hart. Supported by Goldie Crosby the versatile comedian, Mamie Emerson the nightingale of song, Stella Hart the popular impersonator, and a company of 50 of the strongest and best trained voices upon the stage.

It is a noticeable fact in connection with Mr. Accooe that almost every colored show upon the road today is indebeted to him for the music used. He has been inturn director for Ishman's Octaroons, trip to Coontown. The Sons of Ham as starred by Williams and Walker, besides he has composed numerous interpulations in shows now being played by white actors, the most notable, of which was George W. Lederers Casino Girl, Klaw Erlinger's Liberty Belle, the principal number of which "The Gunner and the Navy was his production.

Some of his most popular songs are The Samoan Beauty, The Phrenologist Coon. and the Dandy Soldier Coon.

It is a note worthy fact that while Mr. Accooe has been musical director for more than 6 years during which time most of his orchestras have been white still he has never had any unpleasantness with any of them as they have all recognized his ability and have given him their best support. This is especially true of the orchestra which he is now directing at the Empire Theater as nothing but the best of feelings exists between director and members of the orchestra. We predict for Mr Accooe a brilliant success.

Among the main supporters of the aboved named stars is Miss Cleo Desmond who possesses one of the strongest and clearest voices in the company. Her first appearance upon the stage was with the Williams and Walker Company, where she won many laurels as a songstress. After leaving their company she went into vaudeville work but is at present one of the most potent factors in the production of the Sons of Ham.

We present also the cut of Miss Rachel Baily so well known to vaudeville audiences from coast to coast who with her partner has been known as the Baileys for about 9 years. She has played all the leading vaudeville Houses in Keiths Circuit. 4 weeks ago she appeared at Chases a local vaudeville house. She is a very pleasing and accomplished actress and the management of the Company is very fortunate in having secured her services.

**Turner Sisters,**

better known as the Tennessee Thrushes are two of the sweetest singers in the Sons of Ham. Miss Mabel is a graceful dancer as well as a sweet singer.

Miss Jennie Hilman is also one of the valuable participants and a lady of grace and beauty.

Mr. Sam. Cousins is a natural born actor. He is faultless in his acting. He is the stage manager now and a great acquisition to the company. He is a model college professor.

**Black Carl.**

This is the greatest magnician in the United States. There are none to equal him. Go to the Empire Theater and see him. The Bee will contain a cut of him and his wife next week and tell you all about him.

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WILLIAM ACCOOE
Musical Director and Composer.

MISS CLEO DESMOND
The Nighingale of Song.

MISS RACHEL BAILEY
The Great Cake Walker and Sketch Artist.

## They Say

It is the suspicious person that suspects everybody.

Interlopers who have no standing at their own homes are burdens upon the city.

If one half of these would deal honestly with their patrons there would be no trouble.

The Washington people are responsible for their own burdens.

It is best not to tell all you know

Never be party to a crime neither should you allow yourself to be used for criminal purposes.

It is the honest man who will not allow himself to be used by others.

Be certain of what you say and do.

The northern negroes who continuously make faces at the southern negroes are failures.

Be what you are and nothing more.

A man who is too cowardly to make his own fight, but will take excerpts from other papers, is capable of doing any dishonorable act.

Othello's occupation is gone at any sale. He has about borrowed himself out of existence and lost his reputation of fraud and cheat.

President Roosevelt will appoint two new Judges of the Police Court.

It is best to be truthful to your friends. A dishonest man is bound to fail.

The man who thinks that he is the only citizen in a state is affected with a disease called conceit.

Lieut. Gov. Tillman of South Carolina has fully demonstrated his cowardice.

Wait and see if South Carolina's boasted civilization is correct.

Can an innocent mant shot down in cold blood with on being nvicted.

Gonzales has become a victim of cowardice and brutality.

Senator Platt will be the next Senator from New York.

The next President of the United States will be Marcus A Hanna

Senator Fairbanks has been returned to the Senate,

Next December will cause the politicians to come to the front gain

Let us have the election franchise.

Citizens who are disfranchised, and too cowardly to protest are not entitled to citizenship

Has the right man been detected in the Jordan murder.

The loyal north has now rebelled g inst the negro.

The Armstrong manual training school is fast improving.

The Principal of Tuskegee is about be a back number politically.

The depositors of the Capital Savings Bank have their receivers one cent.

There may be something rotten Denmark.

This is not the first bank that has failed.

People must lose sometimes to be successful.

Never allow a prisoner to suffer because you do not like his lawyer.

Justice Bundy, O'Donnell or ould make good.

It ma b unise toa know.

District Attorney Beach w some good things.

He will show himself to be a man.

Nothing is more d stas ful than a deceptive perso .

Editor Fortune seeking a home for the American negro.

THEBEE su ges d one for himself.

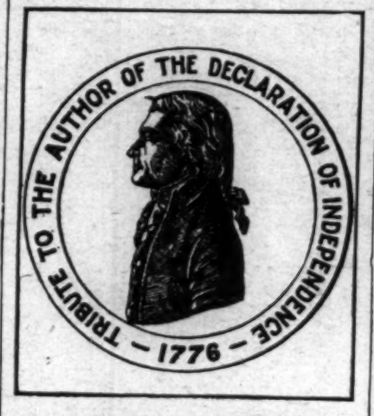
The agent will return some time with a great report.

Read THE BEE and be wise.

## JEFFERSON MEDAL.

**Unique Piece of Work Just Struck Off at the United States Mint at Philadelphia.**

Within the course of the next few days the Thomas Jefferson Memorial association will receive from the mint at Philadelphia the first impression of the bronze medal that is being struck off for the association under authority of an act of congress. During the last session of congress a bill was introduced providing that for the purpose of aiding in the erection of a suitable memorial in honor of Thomas Jefferson as the author of the declaration of independence, the secretary of the




THE JEFFERSON MEDAL.
(Struck Off Under Authority of an Act of Congress.)

treasury be authorized to have prepared at the Philadelphia mint four dies for medallions of such design and size as might be designed by the Thomas Jefferson Memorial association. The bill was passed and was signed by the president March 3. The design for the medallion was easily obtained, and the product is expected to be one of the handsomest things of the kind the mint has made, although Jeffersonian simplicity will mark every feature of the work. The medallion will be made of bronze and will be seven ounces in weight. It will be three inches in diameter and about a quarter of an inch thick. The face side will have a raised medallion portrait of Jefferson in profile, the drawing, etc., being exactly the same as that on the Jeffersonian presidential medal, a copy of which was furnished the association by the mint. Around the outer edge of the face of the medallion are the words: "Tribute to the author of the Declaration of Independence, 1776." On the obverse will be an appropriate sentiment from the writings of Jefferson, and about the edge the name and title of the association. One of these medallions is to be given to each person who subscribes a dollar or more to the memorial fund. The medallions will not be placed on sale.

## HIGH POST FOR CLARK.

**Head of Railway Conductors May Be Appointed Assistant Secretary of Commerce.**

The selection of Edgar E. Clark, of Cedar Rapids, Ia., chief of the Brotherhood of Railway Conductors, to be assistant secretary of the depart-

EDGAR E. CLARK.
(Railroad Man Who Is Slated for High Government Office.)

ment of commerce and labor, has partially been decided upon and is a recognition of the labor organizations of the country and their interests in the new department. Mr. Clark's abilities, his judgment and familiarity with labor problems have been demonstrated during his service as a member of the coal strike commission and he has been highly commended to the president by his associates. He is cordially indorsed by the senators and representatives from Iowa and also by several of the most influential labor organizations. He has been at the head of the railway conductors' brotherhood for many years, and the president believes that he has the confidence of the labor element of the country as completely as any other man. The new department of which Mr. Cortelyou is chief will have jurisdiction over all questions involving the labor interests of the country, hence the president believes that a man of practical experience in such affairs and a representative of organized labor should be selected as assistant secretary.

**Canada's Oldest Legislator.**

The oldest legislator in the world is Senator Wark, a member of the Canadian parliament. He is in his one hundredth year and has been one of the legislators for the province of New Brunswick for upward of 60 years. He was an old man when the provinces were confederated into the Dominion.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**Method in Her Madness.**

"What on earth do you mean," her mother asked, "by urgin' your husband to get one of those outrageously high-priced Panama hats? Are you crazy to encourage such extravagance?"

"I shall want some more hats from time to time myself, mamma dear," the sweet young woman replied, "and he has always kicked so at the prices I pay."

"My darling! You always was such a hand for lookin' ahead. Let me kiss you."—Chicago Record-Herald.

**A Strained Position.**

The fellow who wants to hold office
In quite a dilemma is found—
He can't keep his nose to the grindstone
And also his ear to the ground.
—N. Y. Times.

## ROOSTER IS HOODOOED.

**Shunned by Chicken Thieves, White and Colored, and Feared by Dogs and Cats.**

For almost a year a brown leghorn rooster has lived in the west bottoms in Kansas City, roosting each night on the sidewalk unmolested by chicken thieves. The bird is known to every one living in the vicinity of St. Louis avenue and Mulberry street as "the scrapping rooster." His strange immunity from harm, the superstitious negroes of the west bottoms say, is because the bird is "hoodooed." Almost a year ago "the scrapping rooster" was bought by a west bottoms

THE MONGREL RAN AWAY.

grocer from a farmer. The bird was so small then and otherwise disreputable looking that the grocer couldn't sell him. One day the rooster was turned out to save the expense of feeding him. Since that day he has become a part of the busy life in the west bottoms. The bird lives on the grain that falls from passing wagons.

The many dangers of city life wrought a change in the demure farm chicken. He learned to stand firm when attacked by passing curs and to fight if necessary. This gave him the name of "The Scrapping Rooster." Recently he fought a mongrel dog that barked at him and frightened the animal so that it ran away. The rooster is an odd, though familiar, sight as it moves about among the heavily loaded freight vans, street cars, and vehicles on Mulberry street. He has the distinction of being the only rooster in the west bottoms. Every night the bird goes to roost on the top of a box which stands on the sidewalk near St. Louis avenue and Mulberry street. When he wakes at the midnight hour to crow the officers at police station No. 2 can hear his call and know that the night is half done.

One of the officers who became curious to know why the chicken thieves did not molest the rooster said to a negro whose weakness in that line was well known:

"Why is it that no one steals that rooster?"

The negro answered gravely:

"Steal dat scrappin' rooster! Man, dat rooster am done hoodooed!"

## HORSE GOES INSANE.

**Pride of Denver Police Department Now Is a Raving and Dangerous Equine Maniac.**

"Black Pete," one of the finest pieces of horse flesh ever owned by the Denver police department, is

BLACK PETE IN A FRENZY.

"locoed" or, in ordinary language, has become insane.

"Pete's" brain has become affected just as the brain of a human being is impaired. He raves at times, if snorting and wild neighing can be compared to the hysteria of insanity, and frequently becomes violent and almost uncontrollable. Up to a short time ago "Pete" was one of the splendid black team that drew the patrol from the central station. One day in response to a box call, however, he raced down the street and could not be stopped when the destination was reached.

When he was finally got back to his stall he became violent, and after wrecking the stable proceeded to smash up the interior of the patrol room. He knocked over the patrol wagon, kicked down the stove, and then rammed his head against the wall until he was exhausted. After securely tying the crazy beast, the police notified the dealer who sold him to the department and he agreed to remove him and furnish a new horse in "Black Pete's" place. It is said "locoed" horses never recover, but the dealer hopes to bring "Pete" back again to his senses.

## LOVE IS VICTORIOUS.

Few Obstacles Can Thwart Cupid's Well-Laid Plans.

**Phonograph Plays Important Part in the Romance of Mr. and Mrs. Bush—Marriage Service by Telephone.**

There are more ways than one of getting married, and that is said without reference to the different customs prevailing in different countries. There are more ways than one of getting married in this country, where the appearance of bride and groom before a minister or justice with a marriage license is accepted as the proper way.

Accident has stepped in to prevent some of the weddings in which the persons chiefly concerned have refused to be delayed by circumstances and the marriage services have proceeded under difficulties and in strange forms, but still being marriage ceremonies.

Of all these, one of the strangest is that of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Bush. They were to meet in a city where the bride had friends and were to be married the following day. Both carried out this part of the agreement, but two days before that set for the ceremony the bride was taken ill with diphtheria.

The house of the friend with whom she was stopping was immediately quarantined and the bridegroom was refused entrance. That looked like a postponement of the wedding, but the bridegroom thought differently. He set his wits to work and hit upon a plan.

Two phonographs were secured. So were a marriage license and a minister. Two cylinders were used. In one the clergyman propounded the questions to the bridegroom and the man gave his answers. The other cylinder was left untouched.

Both instruments then were taken to the bride's sick room by the nurse. They were placed on a table and the wedding began. One phonograph spoke the clergyman's questions, giv-

MARRIED BY TELEPHONE.

ing at the same time the bridegroom's answers.

When the clergyman addressed the bride, through the phonograph, she answered into the cylinder of the unused one. When he asked questions of the bridegroom the answers were given at once through the phonograph.

The minister and the bridegroom in reality were sitting below in the parlor of the house, probably smoking cigars and wondering how the ceremony was progressing upstairs.

Finally the nurse brought the two instruments downstairs and they knew that the service was over. They knew that the other cylinder contained the bride's answers and her final "yes." The clergyman shook hands with Mr. Bush and congratulated him on being a married man.

Any time Mr. and Mrs. Bush wish to hear the wedding service repeated all they have to do is to set the phonographs to going and the whole affair is gone over again. That is a useful institution to have in the household on wedding anniversaries and the like.

Miss Agnes Charter was a telephone girl. She was engaged to marry a Kansas man and the wedding was to take place in her home town of Denver. On the day set for the wedding several of the telephone girls were taken suddenly ill, and Miss Charter was obliged to work.

Charles Carver, the bridegroom, was a traveling man. On the morning of the day set for the wedding he was ordered to take a train for Omaha in three hours. It admitted of no delay. The two were confronted with the necessity of finding some way of holding the service or of postponing it for a month.

Miss Charter could not leave the office, but Carver thought of a plan. He placed the minister at a telephone and himself stood at the side. The minister went through the essential portions of the service rapidly. Miss Charter gave her answers from her seat in the telephone exchange and he from his position beside the minister. The minister, with the receiver in his ear, heard the answers of both bride and groom. The bridegroom had to take the word of the minister for the fact that his wife had accepted him.

The short service over, the bridegroom took the telephone, told his wife to take a train as soon as she could for Omaha, and then left the city. She joined him in two days.

**Germans Are Economical.**

In some of the hotels of Switzerland there are two wine-lists—one for Germans, and the other for Americans and Englishmen. The German list is 33 per cent. cheaper than the higher-priced list.

## TENDERFOOT HAD NERVE.

**His Hat Was Riddled with Bullets, But He Never Lost His Cool Self-Possession.**

"I was out in Montana last fall," said a Pittsburg man to a Cincinnati Commercial Tribune reporter, "and one day I rode into a small town and saw a stranger parading around with a silk hat on. Five minutes after I had caught sight of him a cowboy opened fire on that hat from a distance of about 200 feet. Six bullets were fired, but the tenderfoot never turned, nor let on that he heard the shooting.

"In ten seconds the gun was reloaded and there was another fusillade. There were a hundred people looking on and

COWBOY OPENED FIRE.

shouting, but the tenderfoot kept his back to the shooter until the twelfth shot had been fired. Then he calmly turned about, removed his hat and placed it on the ground, and stepping back a rod or two he drew his gun and shot it to pieces. The remains were yet smoking when he picked them up, crossed the square, and, holding the handful of old hat out to the cowboy, humbly said:

"'If you have a couple of months to spare I might be willing to teach you how to handle a gun.'"

"But had the cowboy's bullets hit the hat?" was asked.

"Every blessed one of them," replied the drummer, "but no one knew it except the tenderfoot, and he destroyed all evidence by his own shooting. The crowd took it that the cowboy had missed and raised a laugh on him, and when he straddled his cayuse and loped down the street he looked as homesick as a dog a thousand miles from home."

## PLIGHT OF LOVING GIRL.

**...g on Her Trunk Waiting for a ...heck from Sweetheart She Has Never Seen.**

According to the Morristown (N. J.) ...espondent of the New York ...es, Miss Jennie Freeman, a young ...man of 28 years, is sitting on her ...nk awaiting a remittance from her ...weetheart in far-off California that ...e may join him and live happy ever ...after. She has never seen her lover, ...does not even know how he looks, as ...he has not been favored with a photo...graph, but he has been favored with a photograph. She has been corresponding with him about two years, and she feels sure that he must be as lovely as his letters.

His name is Harry W. Chandler and he lives in Los Angeles, Cal., where he

SITTING ON HER TRUNK.

has some property and is in business. It was about three years ago that Walter Freeman went to California. He is a brother of Jennie, and the brother and sister corresponded. One day she sent him her photograph. It was seen by Chandler, with whom he boarded, and that man at once fell in love with the photograph. He did not tell the brother so, however, but found out the young woman's name and address and then wrote her a note.

Quite some time ago it was decided that they would marry, and then arrangements were made. About two weeks ago he wrote to say that he could not come east to marry her, as he could not leave an invalid mother, but that he would at once send her money for her fare to California and she should make the trip alone. That was satisfactory, and she at once packed her trunk. She has had it ready for two days now, and hopes the check will not be delayed much longer.

**Nice Remedy, But Costly.**

A long ride in an automobile, for an hour before retiring, is said to be an almost certain cure for sleeplessness. Unfortunately, this remedy is beyond the reach of the poor.

## STRIKE SPELLS WAR.

### Clarence S. Darrow Makes Some Lively Assertions.

**Chief Attorney for Coal Miners Calls Judges Tools and Servants of Railroads—Labor Unions Not Perfect.**

Clarence S. Darrow in an address delivered at Springfield, Ill., before the Young Men's Christian association, on "The Anthracite Coal Strike," compared the striking miners to the colonial revolutionists, denounced federal judges who enjoined labor unions as "quite as much the servants of the railroad companies as their section hands."

"Not a thing was done by the miners in Pennsylvania that was not done by our revolutionary forefathers," declared Mr. Darrow. "In revoutionary times dwellings were burned, property was confiscated and 100,000 persons were driven out of their country. The refugees settled Nova Scotia and those who drove them out of this country then as now were denounced as hoodlums, murderers, cutthroats, assassins and outlaws. Yet they were the respectable people of those days and we are proud to be known as descendants of these same revolutionists.

"In a great strike as in war men stand by their friends, and it will always be so as long as men take sides on great public questions.

"After this strike threatened great danger President Roosevelt sent for Baer and the other railroad presidents in the coal region and they came and lied to him. They told him they paid the miners 50 per cent. more than they did, and when the president asked them to arbitrate, they said there was nothing to arbitrate and asked for more protection and more troops.

"The report of the commission is a great victory for union labor. It shows that when the strike was entered into it was the fault of the employers. This whole strike was brought about because the employ-

CLARENCE S. DARROW.
(Chief Counsel of Miners Before Presidential Commission.)

ers wished to destroy the union, and back of the empoyers were the great corporations of the United States and all the railroads. That is what is meant by these illegal and outrageous injunctions issued by tools of the railroad companies, issued by judges who are as much the servants of the railroads as their section men.

"When the union is destroyed it will mean the end of labor's hopes. Labor unions are not perfect institutions. They are simply a means to an end. In some respects labor unions are narrow, exclusive and monopolistic. They are not ideal. In an ideal state there will be no labor union, there will be no boycotts, no strikes, no wage-earners and no wage-payers. There will be a general partnership. Capital cannot combine and operate together and ask labor to operate separately. To ask the labor union to dissolve is to ask one army to lay down its arms in the face of another army."

Mr. Darrow devoted the greater part of his address to the subject of violence during the coal strike, and throughout his remarks he excoriated President Baer and the operators.

The speaker said only 20 cases had been proved where dynamite had been used, and that in no case did the strikers or their sympathizers intend to kill anyone. "They simply wanted to scare nonunion men by exploding dynamite in front of the doors of these men," explained the miners' counsel.

Mr. Darrow said the miners or their sympathizers killed only three men while the coal and iron police and soldiers killed three or four. "None of the homicides committed by miners or their sympathizers were deliberate murders," said Mr. Darrow. "The operators tried to create the impression that the mineworkers had committed 21 cold-blooded murders and they so told President Roosevelt, but he could not discover more than three cases."

Mr. Darrow said that the Lord by some oversight had planted all the

**From Michigan to Boston.**

A costly removal is about to be undertaken by J. M. Longyear, of Marquette, Mich. At a cost of $500,000 he built a palatial home in that city. He has become so embittered against the city for allowing a railway to run near his property that he will move his house, stone by stone, to Boston, which project will almost reach the original cost of the structure.

## FRENCH-CANADIAN FLAG.

**It Is the Creation of a Loyal Priest and Promises to Become a Popular Ensign.**

Recently there was unfurled and flung to the breeze at Montreal a flag new to the present generation, but not to those of bygone days. Many persons who had occasion to pass along Notre Dame street had reason to remark: "What is this?"

It was none other than the new flag of the French-Canadian people, and which, it is hoped, will be adopted in perpetuity as the emblem of the race which first settled the country. For some years past there has been agitation afoot to drop the tri-color of France, as it does not really denote any other allegiance to France than language among French-Canadians.

It, therefore, remained for a French-Canadian priest to start a movement

FRENCH-CANADIAN FLAG.
(A Combination of the Union Jack and Royal French Standard.)

for the adoption of a flag that would have the effect of "the tie that binds" among his fellow-countrymen.

This priest is Abbe Filiatrault, of St. Judge, in the district of St. Hyacinthe, and his idea of the flag which would best depict the feelings of French-Canadians is shown in the accompanying illustration.

Here is a flag which has for its basis, in compositon, that of the "Drapeau Carillon," one of the flags of the French when they first landed in Canada.

In many ways it is a very simple, but at the same time a very imposing emblem. It has for a ground a blue color, and this is crossed with white, while in each of the four corners is placed a white fleur-de-lis.

Many are the questions that have been asked why the French-Canadians desire to break away from the French flag. This is best told in the language of one of them.

"It is desirous on our part that we should have a distinctive flag of our own. We honor the union jack, which is our protector, but still we are of French origin and cannot forget the emblem of our ancestors. But we wish to have an emblem which will portray an idea of what we have descended from, which the tri-color does not convey.

"The 'jack' is the only flag which we can look up to as a protector, and it is not our desire to flaunt the tri-color in the face of the English-speaking people, which in time of trouble between Great Britain and France would be distasteful."

## OLD FORT ARMSTRONG.

**Historic Spot on Mississippi Saved from Oblivion by Daughters of American Revolution.**

At the lower end of Rock Island, in the Mississippi, was built, in 1816, a fort which was named after Gen. Armstrong, then secretary of war. The encroachments of the Indians, and the need for a rallying place for the white settlers on the banks of the Mississippi, made the fort a necessity. It was built of hewn logs, and was strong enough to resist any attempt of the Indians to capture it. Happily there

FORT ARMSTRONG MONUMENT.
(Erected recently by Daughters of American Revolution.)

never arose an occasion to use the fort for warlike purposes and it became but a trading post. There was signed here, in 1831, the treaty by which the Sac and Fox Indians agreed to remove to the Iowa side of the river and leave the village on the banks of Rock river which they had occupied so long. The fort was 400 feet square, and having access to water, and carrying a large supply of food, was equipped for a long siege. There now remains nothing of it, says the Four-Track News. Two cannon pointing down the river have been the only things to mark the spot where it stood till two years ago, when the Daughters of the American Revolution erected a monument there.

**Wolves Paid for Heifer.**

A ranchman in Natrona county, Wyo., had a heifer killed by wolves. To get even with the latter, he placed strychnine in the heifer's carcass. Within a few days he found eight dead wolves and one coyote beside the remains. The heifer was worth only $25, and the wolves and coyote will return to the ranchman something like $200 in bounty and sale of skins.

**Steel Versus Iron.**

Steel rusts seven times as rapidly as idon.

## PIG THAT KEEPS CLEAN.

**Won't Eat Its Breakfast Until Its Face Has Been Washed Thoroughly with a Sponge.**

Mr. Samuel Marker of Loamsdale, Ill., claims to have the most remarkable pig in the country. It is the general impression that a pig is not remarkably careful about his personal appearance. In fact, "dirtier than a pig" is a time honored aphorism.

But Mr. Marker's pig is different. Mr. Marker says that every morning his pet pig, which he has named "Beau Brummel," because of its tidy habits, will squeal until some one goes to it with a sponge and gives it a care wash. Beau Brummel will even re-

SQUEALING FOR A WASH.

fuse to touch his morning meal, no matter how hungry he is, until he has had his matutinal bath.

Mr. Marker took the pig away from the rest of its kind when it was only a few days old and had it brought up on a bottle in a respectable Gordon-collie family. The mamma collie, after a few days of deliberation, adopted the pig as a member of her family, and has worked earnestly to make it a good, obedient collie.

Beau Brummel has raced around with the dogs until he has learned many of their ways, and he is about as good at driving cows as any of the collies. Mr. Marker often sends Beau down to the pasture at night to drive up the Marker family bossie, and he says Beau will scamper away to the meadow, pick the Marker cow out of a herd of 12 or 15 cows, and drive the animal home as well as any of the collies can do. If the cow tries to go the wrong way, Beau rushes in front of her, squealing like a steam siren, and the bossie in dismay turns about and goes in the right direction. If squealing has no effect on the cow, then Beau flies at her and bites her ankles until the cow finally surrenders and consents to go peaceably home. Mr. Marker says that the crowning sorrow of Beau's otherwise happy existence lies in the fact that he cannot bark like the collies can. He used to make frantic efforts in this direction, and always appeared inexpressibly shocked and grieved that his best attempts only resulted in dismal squeals.

**Mr. Reporter Was Wily.**

A Washington reporter, in describing the decorations of one of the white house rooms, pleasantly stated that it was a "nightmare in yellow and blue." To get even with him for this rude comment, an attendant gave him a "loaded" cigar on his next visit. The wily reporter generously passed it to a tramp.

**No Elopements in Papua.**

Girls in Papua, or New Guinea, an island in the Pacific, have little chance to elope. Their dads force them to sleep in a little house on the topmost branches of a tall tree; then the ladder is removed, and the slumber of the parents is not disturbed with fears of an elopement.
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**Abode of Eolus.**

From the Lipari islands of mythology, the abode of Eolus, the ruler of the winds, and the scene of his meeting with Ulysses, to the Lipari island of to-day, is a very far cry indeed. There are no hotels, and the islands are almost unknown to tourists, while the 13,000 inhabitants are almost in a state of primitive and patriarchal simplicity. They tender their services voluntarily as guides and refuse payment, regarding all visitors as their guests. The donkey is the only means of locomotion. Horses are unknown in the islands.—London Mail.

**Free Parisian Theatricals.**

Some of the Parisian theaters give gratuitous performances three or four times a year. They are intended for poor people, and those who are first in line are usually at the doors several hours before the house is opened. —Indianapolis News.

"They say her husband's title is bogus."

"Well, if so, it's only another case of the eternal fitness of things. Her father made his money in the butterine business." — Chicago Record-Herald.

**Theological Tenderness.**

Mrs. Bacon—My husband thinks a man can't feel at home unless he is smoking.

Mrs. Egbert—That is why he thinks he will feel at ...world, I suppose.—Yonkers Statesman.

**Asked and Answered.**

"Are large heads always a sign of genius?" asked the inquisitive youth.

"Not always, my boy," replied the Sage of Cumminsville. "Sometimes they indicate a previous night's foolishness."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

## The Cook and the Case

**Did Any Woman Ever Have Such Luck as This?**

"WHY were you not at church on Easter day?" queried the young woman in blue. "I missed you, and it was very nice of me, too," she added, "since I knew that your hat was sure to make my own look like a woman who is old enough to habitually speak of herself as a 'girl,' at a debutante tea. I hope that nothing was wrong—your new cook, of whom you thought so much, is not gone already, is she?"

"She is now," returned the young woman in gray, "and I never was so glad to see the last of my own mother-in-law as I was when she departed!"

"Oh, I see; she would go out herself on Sunday, when you had been saving all through Lent to buy the loveliest hat in town! No wonder that you were enraged at not having an opportunity to wear it!"

"Nothing of the kind," sighed the young woman in gray, "I was quite

Cook Was Wearing Madame's Hat.

willing that she should go to church on Easter, and—"

"Oh, you poor martyr, you mean to say that you had a boil on your nose or a cold in your head that day?"

"I had not; I never felt better in my life. You see, it was this way: We had no cook for two full weeks, and I thought that an excellent opportunity to—"

"To save money? I knew it—it is that way with me—Harry can never eat anything that I cook, so I cook very little when—"

"Why, yes, and the saving in my household allowance is wonderful. To be sure, Tom goes out to a restaurant for his dinner nearly every evening, but, then, that—"

"Does not affect your economy? Of course not! If he will be so extravagant!"

"Not at all. If I happen to be hungry, I can get a good meal at mamma's without spending a cent. I tell Tom that but for me he would die in the poorhouse."

"And what does he say?"

"Oh, the usual thing—that he will be lucky if he escapes it, as it is. I suppose that must be a joke, as I don't understand it. Well, he sent the new cook home from the intelligence office one day, and I was half sorry, for I had picked out my hat and was saving for it. However, she was a fine cook, so I decided to give some little dinners while I had her."

"And you easily saved the money?"

"Ye-es, I saved it, but—well, the day I went out to buy that hat I met my sister, who was on her way to buy some summer gowns, and asked me to go with her. Now, you know it is not human to allow your own younger sister to buy things which she thinks you can't afford. In consequence, I soon had several gowns I didn't need, and a deficit in my hat money—with Easter less than a week off!"

"Oh, well, your husband could add what you needed."

"H'm, h'm—and knowing that he could just as well give me the whole as a part, I spent the rest of the money."

"Of course you did. Any woman—"

"Yes. I stopped at the milliner's on the way home to make sure that the hat was still there. Then I ordered an especially good dinner, and waited until the coffee came in to make my request."

"That was wise, for—"

"I thought so, but I was mistaken. When the cook brought in the coffee she told me that she must have her wages raised, or leave at once. I would have let her go, but Tom said that the woman who could cook a dinner like that deserved to have her wages raised, and he would do it!"

"Oh, my goodness, and—"

"Exactly. He said he couldn't afford the hat, because we had to pay Annie more money. And none of my pathetic reminders of my savings had any effect. Was it a wonder that I didn't feel able to go to church on Easter?"

"Mercy, no!"

"When the cook asked for a holiday, I gave it to her, knowing—"

"That you could punish Tom by giving him very little dinner?"

"No; I decided we would dine at mamma's. I knew she would inquire the cause of my sadness, and I wanted him to hear my reply."

"Thinking you could shame him into giving you the hat, after all."

"Yes, but—well, as I was at the mirror pinning on my old hat, the cook went out. I glanced out of the window, and saw that she was wearing the hat I had selected at the milliner's!"

## STRONG MEN FOILED

### Can't Lift Tiny Girl Who Possesses a Strange Power.

**Stella Lundelius Can Increase Her Weight by Mind Resistance—Is Able Also to Overcome the Law of Gravitation.**

Stella Lundelius, the 12-year-old daughter of A. Lundelius, a photographer of Port Jervis, N. Y., possesses the remarkable faculty of being able to increase the apparent weight of her own body. This power was first noticed by her father when she was a child, just able to stand alone. Mr. Lundelius observed that under certain conditions the exertions required to lift her was greater than under ordinary circumstances.

Since then the child has been the subject of much experiment by persons desirous of testing her alleged power. By simply placing her hand in contact with persons who attempt the lifting she apparently brings into play some mysterious force, which neutralizes the uplifting pressure he brings to bear, and in spite of his utmost efforts her feet remain on the floor, as though fastened there by clamps.

In one experiment tried the lifting power of several men was exerted in vain to lift the child. The effect was as if the weight of her slender little body had been multiplied many times.

Benjamin F. La Rue, of Paterson, suffered lame arms for three days after his vain efforts to lift the girl.

No public exhibition of the child's powers has been permitted, except recently at Kingston by Dr. C. O. Sahler, who, desiring to study the case, induced Mrs. Lundelius to visit his institution. In the presence of 150 persons Stella gave an exhibition which astonished the spectators. She resisted the combined strength of two men to raise her, and when another was added to the number they were still powerless.

She appeared to make no resistance, but by placing her hand on one of the men all their efforts were in vain. One man, with a lifting capacity of 300 pounds, could not budge her from the

MOVED PIANO WITHOUT EFFORT.

floor. This power does not always exert itself.

Dr. Sahler, in giving a theory, said:

"Stella's power consists in bringing her will or nerve force into harmony with that of the person who attempts to raise her and thus destroying his individuality. When it is impossible to bring about such a unison of vibration the other person does not lose his individuality and his natural strength is not overcome."

One feature of this little girl's peculiar power is her ability to overcome the law of gravitation to such an extent as to make it easy for any person to remove heavy articles of furniture. Her mother said this power was accidentally discovered in her attempt to shove an upright piano about the room. Unable to budge it herself, she playfully asked Stella to place her hand upon the instrument. She did so, and Mrs. Lundelius, to her astonishment, was able to push the piano about without effort. The same course was adopted, it is declared, with a large bookcase, filled with books, and with similar success.

In addition to the power described Stella is said to be possessed of a high degree of that quality known as magnetism, and, it is claimed, relieves bodily aches and pains by passing her hand over the affected part. Her father suffered from congested nerves so that he could not raise his foot from the floor. Six Port Jervis doctors failed to give relief and a physician from New York city relieved the pain only by giving mercury, until, as Mr. Lundelius says, he was a "walking thermometer." His little daughter rubbed his side a few times and he was able to raise his foot from the floor four inches, and three or four treatments are said to have wrought a cure.

Stella Lundelius, says the New York Herald, is one of the youngest pupils in the Port Jervis high school and is a clever violinist. She is strong and robust, but undersized, weighing 65 pounds. She has never been sick.

**Telephone Germ at Work.**

The telephone germ is now in evidence. He roosts in the transmitters of telephones, deposited there from the mouths and throats of unhealthy persons, and ready to leap into the neck of the next person who uses the instrument.

**Described the Difference.**

A schoolboy in Frome, England, was asked to describe the difference between air and water. The bright little fellow's answer was to this effect: "Air can be made wetter, but water cannot."

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### STOP BEGGING.

The recent gift of Mr. Andrew Carnegie to Booker Washington and his school demonstrates the large-hearteness and freedom from race prejudice on the part of the former and the phenomenal good luck on the part of the latter. Six hundred thousand dollars worth of 5 per cent bonds added to the $299 000 or $300,000 already set aside as an endowment fund constitute a snug sum from which a handsome income may be realized and must relieve the institution from embarrassements which it was claimed have hitherto encompassed it and which rendered a system of begging neccessary. Whether the institution really needed the money for which its president was continually begging we do not know. We do know that thousands upon thousands of dollars have been begged in the name of the negro and that many buildings, good, bad and indifferent have been built at Tuskegee presumably for the purpose of furnishing every facility for instructing colored youth in the ways of making a showing and headway in the industrial and mechanic arts And pictures and reports coming from it quarter count for anything, the stitution has buildings enough. What the colored people want and the white people are waiting for competent graduates who can make a creditable showing in the mechanical and industrial world and who will emphasize the utility of the Tuskegee Institute. If reports are true, the output of graduatehs as not come up to expectations. As a rule they are discounted by those who have learned trades through apprenticeship, if we are to believe the reports which come up from the Southland. Much ado has been made over this so-called Wizard. He has succeeded in enlisting the wealthy and influential whites in the favor and they have contributed generously toward his schemes. Considering results, this lavishment of money and praise seems enormously extravagant and unrenumerative. It remains to be seen how much enterprise, race pride and self-respect the principal of Tuskegee will demonstrate. With the present endowment in buildings endowment fund and subscribed money there is no reason why this begging shall continue. Tuskegee has more money than any other institute of like kind in the country while the results have been disappoin ing. Let the Wizard stop begging and running about the country with his mouth continually open and his hands continually stretched forth. Let him look to his bond his promise to make an institution which will contribute something worthy of the cause he has been talking so much about and which will show to his many fiends and [contributors] that he is not out for the appropriation merely but that he is in earnest and is determined to do something for his race. Washington has begged enough for the present in the name of the race. Let him show that he can do the work he tells about before he begs any more. In the name of the race, out of respect for what we may reasonably hope for and for the sake of common decency, let the Wizard do something besides talk before he makes another begging tour. Let our friends see what can be done with present means before we ask for more. Our white friends will tire of us if we do not show tangable results along lines of industrial and mechanical education. For Gods sake stop begging for a season.

### Our Jury System.

It seems to be the opinion among some of our officials that the offenses committed by colored officers on the force outnumber the white. The Bee is preparing a list of crimes and other offenses committed by white officers on the police force and nothing has been done with them. There are fully fifty assault cases, not saying anything about the deliberate murders and house breaking committed by white officers. The Bee has no record of any colored officers charged or convicted of murder or house breaking and very few who have ever been convicted of an assault. As a rule colored officers are honest and it has only been within the past two or three years that colored officers have been charged with grave offenses. The old school colored officers have been more or less honest and upright.

### Our Jury System.

The Bee doesn't understand as it stated last week why so few colored citizens are down on the jury. These are but few down as jurors in any branch of the court. Just why this discrimination is made The Bee doesn't know. Some colored men make good Jurors. There are good and bad among all classes;

**Fence Made of Elk Horns.**

A fence nearly 200 feet long at Livingstone, Mont., is made entirely of horns of the elk—more properly called wapiti. These animals, like the others of the deer family, shed their horns once a year and grow new ones. The old horns are found in large numbers in the forests, and are used for various commercial purposes.

## RARE IN CAPTIVITY.

**Only Three Specimens of Rocky Mountain Goats to Be Found in the Zoos of the World.**

The scarcest animal in captivity is the Rocky mountain goat. Only three of these wild and untamable creatures, it is said, are now or have ever been held captive. One, a very fine specimen, is in the famous Zoological gar-

ROCKY MOUNTAIN GOATS.
(They Are Said to Be the Wildest and Most Untamable of Creatures.)

den, in Regent's park, London, England, and the Philadelphia Zoological gardens has the proud distinction of possessing the only pair, male and female, ever exhibited or ever kept in captivity.

The animal is solitary in its habits, and is about the size of a large sheep, with long white hair, well suited to harmonize with its snowy surroundings. The hair is very abundant around the throat and neck and stands erect like a mane down to the center of the back. This hair was esteemed of great value by the Indians for making blankets. The hoofs and horns are black.

The three specimens of Rocky mountain goat now captive were obtained by killing their mothers and securing the kids, which have been practically reared in captivity.

**Do Not Suppress a Yawn.**

If you feel like yawning, do not put your hand or your handkerchief over your mouth and make a desperate effort to overcome the inclination. Yawn well, and wide and long. It is the right thing for you to do. Moreover, it is a good thing for society in general. It means a stretching, a relaxation of the muscles and an expansion of the interior economy of the human breast, which in turn leads to an expansion of the human heart, an expansion of the human thought, and aspirations after the exalted ideals. It is good to yawn, and the man or woman who feels like yawning should go into a quiet place, where he or she will be free from interruption, and yawn, not hesitatingly or spasmodically, but boldly, throwing the arms up, the chest forward, the head back and the mouth wide open.

## OWLS LIKE MONKEYS.

**A Queer Family of Six, Born on a California Ranch.**

**They Are a Puzzle to Naturalists and Attract Scores of Curiosity Seekers—No Other Birds Like Them Anywhere.**

This is the story of an owl with the face of a monkey and a full set of teeth, reported from Los Angeles.

Monkey-faced or barn owls are common enough, but the strange thing about this owl and his five brother and sister owls, with their monkey-like faces, is that they were hatched by a ground owl not half so big as they are, just a common everyday ground owl that was probably as much surprised as anybody at her curious progeny.

The mother owl and two or three of her kind were caught some months ago and kept as pets by the men of Haggin's ranch. Before they became part of the ranch family, a monkey had held undisputed right to the title of family pet. The monkey was an amiable, friendly creature, and not afflicted with jealousy; therefore, instead of feeling that the owls had put his nose out of joint, he became interested in them.

Day after day he went to the cage where the owls were kept, and sat and watched them. At last one day one of the men opened the door of the cage and let the monkey in. The monkey lay down in the cage content. The owls never so much as ruffled a feather or blinked a wide-open eye. The only trouble was to get the monkey to come out at night and go to his own cage.

The next day he went back to his friends and again he was allowed to go into the cage. This time he watched carefully how the door of the cage was opened and closed. It was an easy thing to do, and after that the men

MONKEY-FACED OWL.
(One of the Queer Animal Freaks Discovered in California.)

did not need to bother about letting him in and out. He could do it himself.

And every day he did it. No sooner was he taken from his own cage in the morning than he went straight to the owls' cage, opened the door and walked in. There he would lie by the hour in silent satisfaction, apparently a welcome guest.

Meanwhile, one of the owls built her nest, laid half a dozen eggs, sat upon them, and in due time hatched out six owls that for all she knew were normal owlets. But as they began to take shape and color, they grew less and less like the mother owl.

Instead of having a rusty brown coat like hers, they were tawny, yellowish things, with white spots on their backs and wings. Instead of stopping when they got to be as big as their mother, they kept on growing until they were twice her size.

Nor did the six birds look alike. Some had regular owl features, but rather the features of the barn owl, which is known as a monkey-faced owl, than the features of the small burrowing owl that is said to share the underground retreat of prairie dogs and rattlesnakes. In two, however, the resemblance to a monkey was even more pronounced, the bill being sunk into the face until it was more like a monkey's nose than an owl's beak, and when at last one of the owlets developed a full set of teeth, the likeness to a monkey could scarcely go further in a feathered creature. The men on the ranch declare that beyond question the appearance of the young owls has been affected by the presence of the monkey about the cage during the season of egg laying and incubation.

The owls subsequently escaped from their cage and were found three months later a long distance away. The finder is said to have sold the three most oddly marked for $1,000, while for the remaining three $200 has already been refused.

**Porters Have Label Code.**

A system of wireless telegraphy is ingeniously worked by the porters of hotels in various European cities. The position, or angle, marked by the way in which a label is pasted on a guest's baggage indicates whether the owner is accustomed to tipping. For instance, if the upper left-hand corner of the label points downward, he is generous; if the label is straightly placed, the sides parallel with the sides of the trunk, he is a mean fellow, averse to tipping, and on him special attention would be wasted. He's a lobster.

**An Electric Washerwoman.**

Electricity lately has been pressed into the service of the housewife, the Buda-Pesth newspapers announcing the invention of an electrical washing machine by Josef Nagy, of Szegedin. With this machine the use of soap is dispensed with, the electric current being intended to take away any stain or grease. The machine will wash 300 pieces of linen without the assistance of a man.

## INSECTS STOP TRAIN.

**Layer of Grasshoppers Covered the Tracks and Wheels of Locomotive Were Clogged.**

The editor of the French paper, Journal de Djibouti, who has just returned from Dire-Daouah, recounts an extraordinary adventure which occurred to the passengers of the train in which he was traveling. After passing the bridge of Chebele the engine suddenly became powerless to draw the train, and its wheels revolved without making any progress.

The passengers alighted to see what had happened, and found an extraordinary state of affairs. The line was covered with a thick layer of grasshoppers, and the wheels of the engine

THE PASSENGERS ALIGHTED.

crushed so many of these insects that they had become clogged with a sticky mass which entirely prevented them from getting a grip of the rails.

All around the ground was covered with a yellow carpet of grasshoppers. By means of sprinkling sand and pebbles on the rails the train was at length able to continue its journey, but after passing Holholl the incline became so steep that the engine, which was then proceeding at about ten yards a minute, again failed to grip, came to a standstill, and finally, dragged by the heavy train, started to run backward down the slope.

At first the brake failed to act, the mechanism having become clogged by the grasshoppers, and an accident appeared to be inevitable, when fortunately, by a great effort, the train was brought to a standstill. The train, needless to say, was several hours late in arriving at its destination.

## GEESE AS WATCHDOGS.

**Humble Cottager in California Takes an Idea from Ancient Rome and Is Quite Happy.**

Having discharged the family watchdog in disgrace, J. D. Huebner, a Los Angeles cottager, has installed two enormous gray geese as guardians of his home.

They are two shades more efficient as sentinels than the best watchdog that ever lived, he thinks. In addition to which they have the following points in their favor: They do not howl at the moon; they do not make friends with visiting burglars and bite the parson; they do not transform the front lawn into a depository for ancient bones.

Like most big ganders, they are belligerent. The minute the front

LOOKING FOR A FIGHT.

gate clicks they come rushing around from the back yard with wings outstretched and flapping, looking for a fight. It is no use to say "Good doggy, nice doggy" to them. They cannot be flattered or cajoled. Moral suasion falls futile.

The average burglar who hears about Huebner's geese will doubtless be of the idea that one has only to say "Shoo, chicky," to send them scuttling. Any burglar who knows about geese will know better. A big gray gander isn't afraid of anything.

These two will attack anything that comes in the front gate with the savageness of a bulldog. And they are able to do about as much damage. They take flying leaps at the intruder, beating him about the head with their wings and punching him in the face with their bills.

All the time they keep up such a hissing and honking that the noise is enough to scare away the stoutest-hearted burglar.

**Signor Pino's Hydroscope.**

By means of an ingenious instrument, the hydroscope, the human eyesight can penetrate the ocean depths and clearly distinguish objects over a mile below the surface. The inventor is Signor Pino, an Italian, a schoolmate of Marconi.

## MAN OF BROAD IDEAS

**Archbishop Montgomery to Be Sent to the Philippines.**

**California Prelate, Says a Rumor Just Received from Rome, to Be Head of the Catholic Church at Manila.**

Archbishop Montgomery, although but a short time connected with the archdiocese of San Francisco as the coadjutor of Archbishop Riordon, is widely known on the coast, where he has labored for many years as priest, bishop and more lately as coadjutor bishop. It was in San Francisco that Dr. Montgomery spent the years of his priesthood from the time he was ordained in 1879 to the time of his consecration as the bishop of Los Angeles in 1894. For 11 years of that time he was secretary and chancellor for Archbishop Riordan, and during that term of association a strong bond was formed between the archbishop and his subordinate. Although Dr. Montgomery has been rapidly advanced in the church he is utterly lacking in ambition, and it is said he never cared for the higher rank to which the way was opened for him by his friend and patron, the metropolitan of San Francisco.

The new archbishop of Manila is in his fifty-sixth year. He was born in Daviess county, Ky., of a family which from time out of mind has been stanch, uncompromising Roman Catholics. As a boy he was marked for the priesthood, and to that end, after his preliminary education in the common schools of Kentucky, he was entered in the Cecelian college in the same state, and afterward took a course in St. Mary's seminary, the celebrated Roman Catholic theological school near Baltimore.

ARCHBISHOP MONTGOMERY.
(Reported to Have Been Created Archbishop of Philippines.)

It was in that city that he was ordained a priest by Cardinal Gibbons. Almost immediately the young cleric was assigned to a parish in San Francisco.

Although born of revolutionary stock, Dr. Montgomery is one of the broadest of American democrats. He disapproves of the doctrine of an aristocracy founded on revolutionary descent. He has frequently frowned down all reference to his ancestry, and on more than one occasion has forbidden its mention in introductions to audiences. He has frequently proclaimed his belief that a foreign-born citizen is as much an American as any descendant of the Pilgrim fathers.

Dr. Montgomery took his seat as head of the diocese of Los Angeles in 1894 and it was then that his fine ability as an administrator was brought out, although as chancellor of San Francisco he had already proved himself a most capable official. He introduced in Los Angeles a remarkable custom which will act as a precedent for his successor in that diocese. His notions of democracy inclined him to the theory that a bishop is just as much of a priest as any of his subordinates, and Dr. Montgomery accordingly never allowed his episcopal work to interfere with the ordinary duties of parish labor. He would go on a sick call, hear confessions, and attend other parochial work with the complacency of a newly ordained priest.

Among his other accomplishments Dr. Montgomery is a close student of economic and social science. He tries to keep abreast of current thought in all lines of modern reform and early copies of the newest books on these subjects are supplied him and carefully read during his leisure hours. A thorough Catholic, Dr. Montgomery is yet an ardent tolerationist. The old wars of religions, he holds, have long since passed away and religious persecution can never again lift its head. In America, he says, there is no room for persecution.

During his long stay on the coast he has made friends among all classes of people and some of his warmest admirers are members of churches other than his own. A total abstainer, an opponent of socialism in all its forms, a friend of the laboring classes, he is also a fearless champion of what he believes to be right, and as an advocate of free speech he never hesitates to say just what he thinks regardless of the opinions of others.

Archbishop Montgomery himself said he thought the dispatch from Rome was an error. He had been appointed coadjutor archbishop of San Francisco and expected to remain there. He thought it highly improbable that he had been assigned to Manila.

"I shall undoubtedly remain in San Francisco," said the archbishop. "I have been appointed by rumor to so many places I suppose it is fully in order to have me assigned to Manila. Rest assured that there is nothing in the dispatch."

## HARTIGAN WON OUT.

**Stood Up for Fifty Years for the Privilege of Being Married in His Shirt Sleeves.**

The wedding service of Thomas Hartigan, of Renovo, Va., and Miss Susan Thompson was decidedly peculiar, although its oddness resulted from eccentricify. Fifty years ago the two were engaged to be married. The day was set, the license secured, the guests gathered at the church, the bride waiting, and then the bridegroom appeared in his shirt sleeves. Of course there was a how-de-do.

Miss Thompson declared with considerable energy that if Mr. Hartigan did not consider the ceremony worthy of his coat there would be no wedding. Mr. Hartigan asserted with equal wrath that if his shirt sleeves were good enough to eat in they were good enough to be married in, and out of the church he walked.

"THE MAN IS STILL READY."

There was a sensation, but both the bride and the groom stuck to their positions. No coat, no wedding, declared the bride. And the bridegroom said there would be no coat.

The town forgot the episode after awhile. So did the bride and groom, but neither married. Years went by, and still Miss Thompson remained Miss Thompson and Hartigan a bachelor. Fifty years afterward Hartigan met his old sweetheart. They became interested in talking over the odd affair which separated them at the altar so many years before, and found that both had regretted it.

"I have come to believe that it is not so much the coat but the man that marries," said Miss Thompson.

"If you feel that way about it," said Hartigan, "the man is still ready."

Another day was set, and again the church was filled. At the appointed time in came the bridegroom—but again in his shirt sleeves. The guests who knew the story of the broken match 50 years before gasped and turned their eyes towards the bride. She laughed as she saw her bridegroom.

"Coat or no coat, he is good enough for me this time," she said. They were married, and the town may build a monument to the man who stood out 50 years for the privilege of being married in his shirt sleeves.

## SECRET WORRIED HIM.

**And What Happened When He Told Her That She Was Not His First Own True Love.**

"A few weeks ago," confessed a man to a Chicago Tribune reporter, "I became engaged to quite the most fascinating member of her sweet sex. I

"IS THAT REALLY ALL?"

instead of being—as I ought to have been—the happiest lover in Chicago. I have been living ever since on thorns. The truth is, my conscience, such as it left of it, was uneasy, for before putting my fate to the test I omitted to tell the lady of my love that she was not the first idol who had been enshrined in my heart—in other words I had been engaged before.

"Ever since I won her promise to be mine I felt that I should have no peace until I broke this dreadful secret to her, but how I dreaded to do it! Many a time the confession trembled on my lips, but it stopped at the tremble. At length, driven desperate, I forced it out, and it sounded all the more dreadful for its long imprisonment.

"In an agony of suspense I awaited my doom. It came at last in this form. First she looked at me in an amused way, then, to my astonishment, she burst into a peal of laughter—sweet, silvery laughter—and then, when she had recovered sufficiently, she said: 'Is that really all? Why, you silly boy, I had been engaged three times before ever I saw you!'"

Mr. S. P. Mitchell left for Cincinnati, Ohio on last Saturday evening.

Mrs. Catherine Skeene Mitchell of Cleveland, Ohio the leading soprano of the Hiawatha Chorus rendered a very beautiful solo at St. Luke's Church last Sunday.

Mrs. May Lee and her guest Mrs. Jno. I. Fountain of Hampton, Va, were in Baltimore Saturday and Sunday the guests of Mrs. Cabelle Calloway.

The many friends of Mrs. Charley Deane of Brightwood Ave are more than glad to know that she has fully recovered.

Among the Baltimoreans who attended the Hiawatha Concert were: Dr. and Mrs. Harris, Mr. Daniel Brooks, Misses Cora Tucker and Winnifred Mason.

Bishop George W. Clinton preached an eloquent sermon Sunday morning at the Metropolitan Church on D street southwest.

Miss Emma McGinnis was called to Baltimore last Tuesday to attend the funeral of Mr. Thompson.

Miss Sallie Hatchett of Baltimore spent Saturday and Sunday in this city, the guest of Mrs. Katie Harris of Le Droit Park.

Mr. Frank Colbert, son of Emelia Colbert, who is the sister of Sergeant Henry Lacey, was buried from his home on Vt. ave., Tuesday at 2 o'clock.

Miss Mary Griffin spent her Easter in Scotia Seminary, N. C., with her daughter Miss Mabel,

Prof. Henri Strange and Mr. C. M. Brown, of Harrisburg, Pa., are in the city stopping at 1642-10th st. N. W.

Mrs. Smith of Baltimore, who made Washington a flying trip during the winter is again in our midst for a few days.

Messrs. Gaskin and Gaines anb Jovial Jas. Jacksno are alright. If you do not believe us convince yourself by calling.

Mr. Geo. W. Jackson, president of the Bethel Literary makes an excellent president, that is just what we want.

Mr. B. Verdi Fisher and Miss Nettie Spencer were married last Wednesday night by Rev. W. H. Gaines of W. Wash. D. C.

Mr. A. Samuel Morse, Jr., of New York is in the city to attend the marriage of Mr. Nixon.

## WEST END NOTES.

It is whispered that there are a few marriages to take place shortly, nothing like it.

Rev. S. L. Corrothers preached to a full house at Union Wesley Church last Sunday afternoon. The Galbraith choir and parishioners made a good showing.

We regret very much that Mrs. Dr. Brooks is on the sick list.

There will be a baby christened in the West End shortly but whose baby is it?

### The Girls' "Sec-To-No" Musical Club Entertains.

The Club met at the usual place last Saturday afternoon at 2:30. Invitations had been sent to the mother of each girl to be present at last Saturday's meeting as the guest of the club. The following ladies were present: Mesdames Holmes, Minor, Johnson, Stevens, Lewis, Jones, DeLong and Miss Maud Lemos. The club appeared in robes. A pleasing program had been prepared, and was as follows: Piano Solo, Miss Annie Oram; Reading Psalm. Mrs. A. V. Chase; Vocal Solo, Miss Beatrice DeLong; Piano Solo Miss Hattie Holmes; Select Reading, Miss Georgia Jones; Piano Solo, Miss Irene Henderson; Piano Solo, Miss Beatriz Chase; Select Reading, Miss Tulip Cook; Piano Solo, Miss Louise Clark; Piano Solo, Miss Pearl Lewis; Piano Solo, Miss Clarice Jones; Vocal Solo, Miss Beatrice Patten. At the conclusion of the musical program Mrs. Chase said the Club would attend to the second part, and they did it in a manner most charming. Each girl found something to do in the line of serving refreshments to those entertained by the Club.

Miss Maud Lemos rendered several piano selections and all present accorded her the honor of being a fine pianist. The meeting adjourned at 5:30.

### The Freedmen's Hospital Training school for Nurses

The graduating exercises for the class of "03" will be held in Andrew Rankin Chapel, Howard University grounds, next Monday evening May 4 at 8 o'clock. It is interesting to know that this is the first class to graduate from the school from under the sole charge of a colored superintendent although it is the third class graduating since Mrs. Sarah I. Fleetwood the very efficient superintendent took charge three years ago. It is also an interesting fact that Rev. Teunus S. Hamlin, who will present the diplomas to this class, presented the diploma to Mrs. Fleetwood, when she graduated with the fine class under Miss Sara Ebersole.

Dr. Wm. A. Warfield, Surgeon-in chief of the hospital will personally direct the exercises.

Dr. Charles Carrol Stewart, physician and surgeon and Mrs. Jennie L Williams, who resides at 1721 T street N.W. were quietly married on last Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock by Rev. James Garner. There were only a ew personal friends of the bride and

groom present to witness the ceremony. After a delightful repast the happy couple was driven to the residence of the groom 2018 E st., N. W., where they will permanently reside. Among those present were:- Dr. C. S. Payne, Miss Mamie V. Williams, M. A. White and Mr. W. Calvin Chase.

### ANIVERSARY ON CHARLES SUMNER POST

**Interesting Exercises Speeches and Reception**

Charles Sumner Post No. 9 G. A. R. celebrated 20th anniversary at G. A. R. Hall Tuesday evening last, James H. Brooks commander introduced P. P. C. Richard D. Goodman as master of Ceremonies. The meeting opened with beautiful ceremony receiving the flag and prayer by Chaplain W. A. Shunan. Adjutant Chas H. Shorter called the role of the dead. P. P. P. Wm. G. Hall gave a history of the orgauization of the Post St. Thomas R. H. Clark is a masterly man gave history of the many battles of the great Napoleon and the results accomplished. Showed that the colored man was among the first to set foot on American soil, that he had participated in all the battles, he extolled the man who fought in 1861-65 showing the results accomplished paid high compliment to the Ninth Cavalary for their fighting, declaring that they had given to this Nation its first Chief Magistrate. Lt Richard E. S. Toomey recited his paper "The Negro Soldier" with fine effect. Lawyer W. C. Martin praised the veteran and especially congratulated the Post that ft had kept together. W. Calvin Chase, editor of the Bee said that he too had read history, spoke of the battles fought for liberty and the results accomplished that we are still with the pen as the old veteran did with his gun and need not expect to accomplish anything except we are brave and undaunted, that he believeh in agitation demanding all the rights ignored by others. The Graphophone was used with fine effect by Prof. Charles V. Boston, Mr. Richard Gordon recited a poem. Faragut and the Brooklyn. Lt. Toomey gave another poem, Benj. Tillman and the Post assisted by the W. R. C. ladies served refreshments..

### With An Uncovered Head.

Mr. T. L. Jones met ex-Senator Pritchard, the leader of the lily whites in the Court House Hall on Wednesday and congratulated him with an uncovered head. The Bee would like to know if he told Mr. Pritchard what he (Jones) said in a speech in Alexandria, Va., a few Sundays ago.

**Vitality of the Centiped**

The sight of a full-grown centiped, is said by travelers in tropical lands to be enough to affect the strongest nerves. Ten to eleven inches is the average length, although larger ones have been seen. Lafcadio Hearn, in "Two Years in the French West Indies," says that the vitality of the centipede is amazing. He kept one in a bottle, without food or water, for 13 weeks, at the end of which time it remained as active and dangerous as ever. The hen attacks the centipede with delight, and often swallows him head first, without taking the trouble to kill him. The cat hunts him, but is careful never to put her head near him. She has a trick of whirling him round upon the floor so quickly as to stupefy him; then when she sees a good chance, she strikes him dead with her claws. If you kill a centipede you are sure to receive money soon, and even if you dream of killing one it is good luck—at least, so local tradition says.

"Young man," said the minister, laying a hand gently on the young man's shoulder, "gin I lat ye preach the morn, and ye gie a better sermon than me, my fowk wad never again be satisfied wi' my preaching; and gin y're nae a better preacher than me, ye're no' worth listening tae!"

**Schooner with Seven Masts.**

A schooner with seven masts is now in course of construction at Boston.

**The Latest in Barometers.**

In Florida the skin of a black diamond rattlesnake is utilized as a barometer. When preserved like rawhide and hung up, the skin will emit beads of moisture at the first indications of a storm. These indications occasionally occur several hours before the arrival of the atmospheric disturbance.

**Experiments Are Dangerous.**

Chemistry students in the Heidelberg university are compelled, by the rules of that institution, to insure their lives. Even those who merely attend the lectures, and do not experiment, must insure.

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**Italians a Healthy Race.**

It has been remarked that most Italians of the poorer class are noted for their general good health. This is, to some extent, attributed to the fact that the working people of Italy eat less meat than those of any other European nation.

**Traveling Safe in England.**

Only one person was killed on the railways of Great Britain during the year 1902. In the closing three months of the year 845 persons were killed and 11,162 injured on railroads in the United States. Railroad officials in England are aware that they are responsible for injuries caused by incompetence or negligence, hence they insist on due care on the part of their employes.

in 1899, and on [illegible], 1901, was detailed for duty at the white house. He was appointed to a clerkship in the white house in May, 1897, and promoted to executive clerk in May, 1900.

**Death Months of Aged.**

"Death months" are March and April for adults, and July and August for children under five years of age, according to the statistics of the twelfth census.

## HAS GRUESOME CALLING.

**Rattlesnake Pete, a Celebrity of Western New York, Is a Terror to Venomous Reptiles.**

"Never heard of 'Rattlesnake Pete,' why he is one of the celebrities of our section of New York," said S. T. Klipstein, of Rochester, to a Washington Star man at the Arlington. "Well, Pete is king of the snake catchers in our part of the country, and makes an excellent living out of his gruesome calling. He has come to know that the poison from the fangs of a rattlesnake can be used medicinally. You know, it forms one of the ingredients of the antitoxin for diphtheria, and rattlesnake oil is splendid for massage. For more

READY FOR MR. RATTLER.

than 20 years Pete has followed his calling in the mountains of western New York, and he says that within that time he has received half a thousand bites from animals and reptiles of different kinds, many of which were from rattlers, but he is of the opinion that more people die from fright than from the actual harm done by the poisonous reptile; that is to say, if proper treatment is administered. Certainly Pete has survived to tell the tales of wonder and interest with which he frequently entertains his friends.

"When Pete goes after rattlers he is always accompanied by an assistant, whose duty it is to carry the 'implements of war,' which constitute a forked stick, a very strong, tough bag, a tablespoon and a bottle with a tight-fitting cork. He locates the snakes as a setter dog would locate a bird, purely by the aid of his nose. He is able to detect the smell of a rattler 20 feet off. Once his eyes light on a snake the forked stick is over its head and the spoon is in a position to catch the ejected virus, which is emptied into the bottle carried for the purpose. The snake is then put in a bag and carried home, where the same process is repeated as fast as the virus is collected by the reptile."

## MEAN SORT OF GHOST.

**It Is Accompanied by a Terrible Beast and Haunts a Brooklyn Sexton's Family.**

The congregation of the little Presbyterian chapel in Twenty-fifth street, South Brooklyn, N. Y., headed by the pastor, is devising a plan whereby the ghost with a dog, which is said to have been menacing the family of the sexton, Albert Channing, may be discouraged.

Channing and his children are bordering on nervous prostration because of the manifestations of a particularly energetic and ill-tempered ghost.

A TERRIFYING BEAST.

Mrs. Channing, the mother, died about eight years ago, and since then the ghost has been busy with the Channing family.

In speaking of the family experiences, Mr. Channing said:

"It is simply killing us all. We are afraid to tell our friends for fear they will laugh at us, but I have concluded that our only hope is in the Lord. I have asked our pastor to pray that we may be delivered from this terrible curse. We fear that one of us—most probably my third son, George—is, without his knowledge, a spirit medium, if there is such a thing.

"Sometimes the ghost appears as a man, who holds up his hands and roars. On more than one occasion it has appeared in the form of a terrifying beast, something lik a great, ferocious dog, and once it changed in front of the children from human form into that of a beast."

**First Girl in 140 Years.**

For the first time in 140 years a daughter was recently born in the family of Arthur W. Becker, of St. Louis. The grandfather, J. Becker, had five boys; and his father, Jacob Becker, four male heirs. The father of Jacob Becker had no sisters and no daughters, and none of his sons had any daughters.

## A DREAM SAVED HIM.

**Remarkable Story Told by Charles Nelson, of Chicago.**

**He Once Had a Vision of a Wrecked Ship, on Strength of Which He Deserted and Preserved His Life.**

"Do I believe in dreams? Yes, sir-ree, and I have good reason to believe in them, too, for if it hadn't been for a dream I would have been in 'Davey Jones' locker' a long time ago," said Charles Nelson, 40 Clark street, to a Chicago Inter Ocean reporter. "A dream saved my life, so I should like to know why I should not believe in them.

"When I was a young fellow I was a sailor on the old Norwegian barkentine Nurnen. In May, 1879, I shipped as a seaman on the Nurnen, Capt. Christensen, from Copenhagen, bound for Montevideo, South America. When the vessel was within four days' sailing of its destination I lay down on the roof of the cabin to get a little sleep one night. During my sleep I had a frightful dream. I thought I had been marooned on a lonely island in the southern Pacific. In my dream I was a regular Robinson Crusoe, for it seemed there was no other person on the island. I dreamed I was standing on the beach scanning the sea for a sign of a sail.

"Finally I saw a square-rigged ship, with every stitch of canvas set, flying like a bird before the wind. I screamed and waved my arms, but the vessel soon passed below the horizon. I dreamed I stood there dazed, but in a little while a spar appeared. It seemed to rise out of the sea, and though it bore directly toward the island I could discern no hull beneath it. Soon an empty water cask floated in and rolled upon the sand, but stranger than all soon afterward the crushed bow of a vessel drifted rapidly shoreward and fell upon the sand, a tangled mass of

RELEASED FROM JAIL.

wreckage. Upon the crushed bow was the name Nurnen.

"I awoke with a start and lay there shaking with fear for several minutes. I tried to forget the dream, but all the time I could see the floating crushed bow. I finally decided to desert the ship as soon as it reached port. At Montevideo I requested the captain for a short leave to go ashore. I had previously told a Russian sailor of my plan to desert, and he, frightened by my story of the dream, said he would go with me. The captain said we could go ashore if the first mate of the vessel would go with us, for he had a great deal of trouble to keep a crew.

"I did not like to leave all my personal effects on the ship and run away with six months' pay coming to me, but I could not drive away the fear of being wrecked. The Russian, the mate and myself rowed ashore and went to a barroom. The Russian and I slipped into the basement and hid. The mate returned to the ship and reported that we had run away, and some little attempt was made to apprehend us, but the day for the departure of the ship came and we had not been seen by mate or captain. Three days after the Nurnen cleared the port for a trip around Cape Horn we returned to Montevideo. We called upon the Swedish consul there, but instead of getting aid we were arrested and locked in jail. We were told that we would be held until the Nurnen returned, which would keep us in a cell for about three months. They wouldn't listen to the story of the dream.

"The Russian and I remained prisoners week after week. Two months after the vessel had left the consul called at the jail. He came to my cell and said:

"'Well, I guess I'll let you out of here.'

"'Why is that?' I asked.

"'Well, word has just reached Montevideo that the Nurnen was wrecked at Cape Horn during a storm. Another boat found part of the wreckage, but all the crew went down.'

"Yes, sir, I believe in dreams, and I would have been on the rocks with the rest of the crew if it hadn't been for that little snooze on the roof of the cabin."

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By Miss May Clematis.

Mamie. Marriages are dangerous a this time

Nellie. True friendship should be nursed,

Emma. Be careful and do not allow familiarity.

Norah. Happiness lasts about six months now. The husband wants to visit the clubs after that time.

N. T. Don't imagine that you can hold a friend by indifferent actions.

Etta. You are bound to lose your friend. Your actions towards him will force a separation. You will regret it when it is too late.

D. M. If you are doing well take my advice and remain where you are.

N. L. You should have notified your friends. No young lady can hope to retain a friend by selfish actions.

R. T. You have time for music lessons but not for business. I hope you are not making a mistake.

Rida. If you show a spirit of dependence you will not retain the respect of your escort. No young girl should allow a young man any privilige, neither should she let him know that she is in need of his company.

E. M. You should not forget your friends. It is the positive and sedate girl that commands respect.

Ida. You should read more and be careful how you express yourself. A girl must be educated now Beauty will not carry you through life, It fades like a rose.

J. Deception is soon found out. You will regret it some day, when you think you are deceiving others you are deceiving yourself. If you are true to your self you will be true to others.

E. Music is an accomplishment that no young lady should be without She should be ble to do other things as well

A. You should never make promises that you have no idea of keeping. You should know your own mind. You talk too much and tell too much of your business.

Lie. You should not be so careless with your english. May be you will be able to connect the evil some day.

L. S. You should be one thing or nothing. You cannot have the same mind and appreciation.

Isadore. Perhaps if you were not so selfish, you would be better understood

Miss Estel. Black is becoming. You will win admiration by the sedateness and your friendly spirit

Roda. Don't be too fast in receiving introduction to strangers. You ought to know the result.

Ida. The noblest woman in the world is one who is satisfied with small things. Be careful what you accept from a stranger and some times your friends,

Tillie. The best house keepers are the girls who are not ashamed of work. No young lady can hope to keep a husband who cannot keep a house.

Kate. Don't allow yourself to be carried away with dress. It is the ruination of any young girl, Dress does not always make the lady.

Mabel. Late dances are vulgar and ill timed. From six to ten is long enough for fashionable people.

Bessie. If you know what you are doing alright. Do not be hasty, you have time to find him out.

Too much familiarity will lessen a man's respect for you.

Smoking in your company should no be permitted.

Loud laughing in a street car is vulgar

Don't tell all you know to appear wise. You convince who previously had a good opinion of you, that you have st something.

Tight shoes are dangerous to the feet.

A flashy dress will not become a lady.

Nettie. Do not practice deception with your friend,

Do not allow others to talk about your companion,

Be a good listener always, you may learn something,

Do not tell your neighbor that you do not work. It shows that you are a lazy girl.

Speak well of every one you do not know to whom you are talking.

Do not tell stories to your friends o those who have confidence in you.

If you appreciate true friendship endeavor to keep it.

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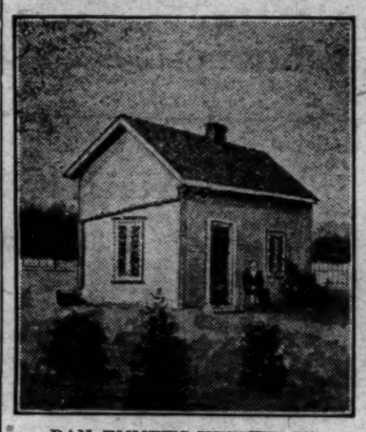
## COMPOSER OF "DIXIE."

**Dan Emmett, Father of Negro Minstrelsy, Lives in Solitude Near Mt. Vernon, Ohio.**

Daniel Decatur Emmett, known as the father of burnt-cork minstrelsy and composer of "Way Down South in Dixie," a song that has stirred the patriotism of every southerner in America, is still living in a little hermitage near Mount Vernon, O. Dan still possesses the old violin on which he first played the well-known melody. At the time he was playing in Bryant's theater in New York, Mr. Bryant asked him to write up something lively for a walk-around.



DAN EMMET'S HERMITAGE.
(Home of the Author of "Dixie" and Other Melodies.)

The next day was Sunday, and, looking out of the window of his room, Mr. Emmett saw the rain beating down and wished he was back in the south. Then he remembered the negroes' expression: "I wish I were in Dixie land." That was enough. He says in 20 minutes afterward the words and music were complete.

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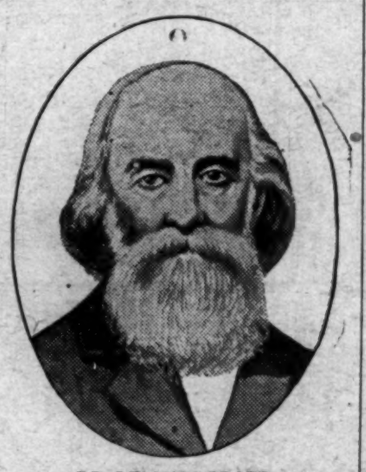
## TOLD BY DR. ABBOTT.

**Brooklyn Preacher Explains How Colored Boy Lost Faith in Twenty-Third Psalm.**

Dr. Lyman Abbott says that a little colored boy he knows had to learn by heart one Sunday the twenty-third Psalm. He was not long in mastering the lesson, but one verse, "Thy rod and thy staff, they comfort me," he repeated, it was noticed, with an incredulous and scornful smile.

The next day he played truant, and his mother, as her custom was on such occasions, took a stick down from a shelf behind the stove, and



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whaled him. He yelled, and between his yells kept stuttering:

"I knowed—I knowed—dat verse wa'n't true. I jes' knowed it, I did."

"Lan' sakes, chile! What yo' talkin' about?" said the mother, staying her hand. "What verse wa'n't true, hey?"

"Dat verse I l'arned yestiddy—dat verse erbout 'Thy rod comfort me.' Dere ain't no comfort in de rod. It jes' hurts, an' it don't comfort nohow. I knowed that verse wa'n't true."

**Scion of a Noble Family.**

Count Pepo Fugger, an officer of the German colonial troops, who recently died in the Kamerun country from a wound inflicted by a poisoned arrow, was a member of one of the most illustrious families in Germany, which played a prominent part in the middle ages. Its founder was a master weaver who settled at Augsburg in 1368 and left behind him a number of sons and grandsons, who made an enormous fortune by commerce and married into the noblest houses of the empire. They lent money to Emperors Maximilian and Charles V. and the latter raised them to the rank of count and gave them princely rights. And no wonder, for one of them threw into the fire a bill which had been given him by Charles, with the remark that his majesty's word was as good as his bond.

**The Human Hair Supply.**

It is asserted that most of the black hair used in wigs and "switches" comes from the Italian and Spanish convents, and most of the blonde hair from the heads of Swedish, Danish, Russian and German peasant girls.

## HELD UP HIS HANDS.

**Wild Bill, Famous Western Character, at a Disadvantage.**

**Usually the Plucky Marshal Had Things His Own Way, But Once Upon a Time He Was Caught at His Own Game.**

"Capt. Jack Crawford, the veteran scout and writer, recently penned for a Chicago newspaper some highly laudatory stuff about the famous 'Wild Bill' Hickok, marshal of Abilene, in which the captain portrays 'Wild Bill' as a good deal of a god in a blue flannel shirt and leather chaps," said an elderly Washington civil engineer who did a good deal of work in connection with the building of the Pacific railroads, and especially those that run through Kansas, to a Washington Star correspondent. "Now, 'Wild Bill' was all right—a game and nervy man, as he had to be in his business—but he didn't perch on any little private Olympus of his own, and when it came his turn he was forced to take his medicine like any of the rest of the nervy and game ones of his day. Capt. Crawford doesn't make any mention in his story of a certain occasion upon which 'Wild Bill' was stuck up at the point of a gun just like anybody else of his day and date, but the thing happened, all the same, as I well remember, for I was in Abilene at the time it occurred.

"There was a quiet, civil sort of a chap named Dave Harper running a monte game in Abilene at the time. 'Wild Bill,' like all of the marshals of tough towns in those days, had a way of dipping into the cash drawers of the gamblers when he needed change—it wasn't exactly protection money, for the games would have gone on, marshals or no marshals, but it was just one of the little 'perks' of the marshals of those days to pick out of the dealers' tills the dough that they happened to require. It was called 'tolling out.' When a marshal needed

"STICK 'EM UP, BILL!"

some money he would just drop into a place where one of the games was going and 'toll out' of the drawer the amount that he felt he needed, and it went all right.

"'Wild Bill' was hitting the juniper juice one night while he bucked a faro game across the way from where Dave Harper was running his monte plant, and he therefore got a little reckless with Dave's money drawer. He entered the place the first time while Harper was out for a bite to eat, and reached in and took what he wanted. The lookout of the game didn't say anything.

"It was the custom, and, if it hadn' been, lookouts weren't saying things to 'Wild Bill' in those days. 'Wild Bill' went across the way to the faro bank where he was sloughing off his chips, and dropped the 'toll out' in one deal. Then he returned to Harper's outfit. Dave Harper was seated at the table this time, dealing monte himself. 'Wild Bill' reached down into the drawer, leaning over the table to do it, and picked up a few pieces of the yellow bullion. Dave knew that that was 'Wild Bill's' second swoop on the till that evening, but he didn't say anything. But when, about an hour later, 'Wild Bill,' pretty well used up with the mesquite fluid by this time, sailed in and started to reach for Harper's dust heap for the third time, Dave did what nobody in Abilene or anywhere else had up to that time had the nerve to do to 'Wild Bill.' He snapped up the gun that was hanging from a nail right alongside the money drawer, and he had it on the marshal so suddenly that 'Wild Bill' was for a second paralyzed with astonishment.

"'Stick 'em up, Bill,' quietly ordered Harper.

"'Wild Bill's' hands went up.

"'I ain't no hog, Bill,' said Harper then, 'an' that bein' th' case, I ain't a-goin' t' stand f'r your bein' one. This is th' third time that you've hiked along this way t'night f'r tollin' out. That's crowdin' th' mourners a hull heap, an' it don't go. You kin back out, Bill, keepin' 'em up.'

"And 'Wild Bill,' for the first time in his life, had to back 30 paces out of Dave Harper's monte plant, with his digits pointing to the zenith. The incident hurt 'Wild Bill's' prestige in Abilene a good deal, and he never entirely forgave Harper for the humiliation inflicted upon him that time. Harper left Abilene a very short time after that, which is no doubt the reason why he and 'Wild Bill' didn't figure in the gun play that Abilene awaited from the hour that its night marshal had to call heaven to witness with all ten of his fingers, while his guns hung uselessly in his belt."

## HAS AROUSED EMPEROR.

**Prof. Delitzsch, Famous Assyriologist, Assails Orthodox Belief in Revealed Religion.**

Dr. Friedrich Delitzsch, whose lectures delivered before the German court on the Babylonion origin of much of the religion of the Old Testament have called forth wide criticism, especially on the part of the German emperor himself, is professor of Assyriology at the University of Berlin. Until recently the name Prof. Delitzsch called to mind his father, Dr. Franz Delitzsch, who died in 1890, and who was distinctly a conservative in theology. The son, however, by utter-

DR. FRIEDRICH DELITZSCH.
(Berlin Professor Who Does Not Believe in Inspiration.)

ances which in the German churches have been considered extremely radical, has gained a popular fame which the father never had. Dr. Friedrich Delitzsch's eminence as a scholar has been derived from his explorations in the territory which once was occupied by the great Babylonian empire. There he has made notable discoveries, corresponding to those made by Prof. Hilprecht, of the University of Pennsylvania. As the result of his archaeological discoveries concerning the life of these ancient Babylonians, Dr. Delitzsch has formulated, concerning the Babylonian origin of religious conceptions of the Old Testament, conclusions which he regards as subversive of belief in revealed religion as commonly held. These conclusions regarding Biblical criticism are not, however, says the Outlook, those of an expert; and they have been converted by Biblical critics of the radical school. Unlike his theological opinions, his archaeological discoveries have been of great value. By bringing to light records of the common life and of the political institutions of the ancient Babylonians, they have made the life of that ancient people seem very human to us, not to say almost modern. Dr. Delitzsch uses the English language fluently. American students in Germany have found him especially approachable. His interests are broad. He is far from being a recluse; he is rather, as one of his American pupils has said, a citizen of the world.

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HON. LEE S. OVERMAN.
(New Democratic Senator from the State of North Carolina.)

Vance, and later occupied the same position with Gov. Jarvis. He began the practice of law in 1880. Five times he was elected a member of the legislature, and in 1887 he was the unanimous choice of the democrats for the speakership, but was defeated by a combination between the republicans and the independents. He was elected speaker of the house in 1893. In 1894 he was president of the North Carolina Railroad company. In 1895 he was the choice of the democratic caucus for the United States senatorship, but was defeated by Senator Pritchard through a combination of republicans and populists. In 1900 Mr. Overman was president of the democratic state convention. He is now president of the Salisbury Savings bank and for ten years has been a member of the board of trustees of the state university. Mr. Overman's wife is the daughter of United States Senator Merriman. He succeeds Senator Pritchard.

**A Good Thing for Heaven.**

The late Dr. Parker, of London, was arguing with a man on the problem of continued existence, and as Mr. Parker was at the door the friend finally declared: "The fact is, I am an annihilationist. I believe that when I die that will be the end of me." Thank God for that!" declared the doctor, and banged the door.

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The "Eureka" Whist Club, which has been so pleasantly entertained each week during this winter at the residence of Mrs. M. E. Taylor, met for the last time this season at the residence of Miss Elizabeth Brown Le Droit Park, Friday evening April 24.

Lawyer Joseph T. Little of Memphis Tenn., was admitted to the United States Supreme Court last week. Mr. Little is well known in this city having graduated from Howard University several years ago. He was highly entertained by many of his old friends and associates. He left for his home Saturday evening

After two successful weeks the spring opening of the dress maker's training school, under the supervision of Madame L. R. Clark, 1439 W street northwest closed last Tuesday evening the 14th inst.

Notwithstanding, the weather was very inclement there was a large audience, and all seemed to enjoy themselves. There was a very good programe each evening composed of addresses, essays, recitation, solos etc. A number of very prominent men and women addressed the audience on all of the evenings. The work on exhibition was fine, and certainly does great credit to Mrs. Clark and all of the pupils. The exhibit was of dressmaking, milinery and embroidery. Refreshments were served by a committee of ladies each evening.

"A Few Things Worth While" was the subject of a well written and interesting paper by Miss Rachael Guy before the Young Peoples Literary of Mt. Miorah Baptist Church, 2nd and N streets southwest, Sunday afternoon last. She said in part: After doing many things we do, if we would just stop and ask ourselves the question, "Was it worth the while? Nine times out of ten the answer would be, "No."

Among the many things worth while I have selected a few. Weak human nature is prone to lay great stress on the unimportant things of life, to wear way both heart and body over things that really had best be ignored or forgotten. The little worries of daily life have a great tendency to cause our girls to become wrinkled and careworn long before the time, and why? Simply because they allow themselves to become vexed, worried and irritated over things that are inevitable and cannot be helped.

This literary is one of the things worth while. Any thing that tends to improve us morally, industrally and mentally is worth the while. Though not a woman suffragist, I am hearily in favor of women developing themselves along all lines with men' while they thoroughly convince themselves. Styled lovly creature that they are his equal in all things high and ennboling.

The paper was discussed by lawyer W. C. Martin Messrs. H. L. Butler, Herman Franklin and J. E. White, Miss Angelina Spiller presided and Miss Evangeline Anderson acted as secretary. Miss Cuy was warmly congratulated upon her splendid effort

## THE HIAWATHA RECITAL.

This community owes a large debt of gratitude to Mrs. A. F. Hilyer, who first conceived the idea, to Prof. John T, Layton who drilled that splendid chorus, and to all the helping hands who contributed to the success of the production of S. Coleridge Taylor's musical setting to selected scenes from Longfellow's Hiawatha.

It was a fine audience, composed of many of the best citizens of both races who greeted the appearance of the chorus, and right royally they were entertained.

The chorus was small, having only about one hundred and fifty voices, but so beautifully balanced and so wonderfully voiced as to at times fairly hold the audience spell-bound, while little thrills of delight chased up and down ones spinal column.

The soloists too were well chosen and gave excellent account of themselves Mrs. Skeene Mitchell was heard here for the first time, but sang her way to a high niche in the appreciation of our music lovers. Sidney Woodward stands in a class by himself. Is there any one who heard that lovely voice rendering: "Onaway! Awake beloved" or as the Black Robe chief pealing the blessing and prayer "Peace be with you Hiawatha." Who will ever forget it? I think not Harry Burleigh, we all know so well and appreciate so highly not only for his musical attainments but for his princely self, that he can always be sure of the glad hand, when "in our midst." In his first solo there appeared some slight roughness in his accustomed smooth and rounded tones, but coming to his solo "Farewell! Said he, Hiawatha" when the chorus took up the work the old remembered Burleigh voice went pealing grandly through it all, with every note standing out clear cut as it came from the heavy black ground of the chorus, it was simply superb and the musical gem of the evening.

The male chorus deserved second place, and the final chorus divided opinions of some for both first and second places. Something in passing must be said of those grand bassos. In a some what long, and varied experience never have heard them excelled nor even equalled when their small number is taken into consideration. That deep, rich, smooth full tone was enough to inspire any chorus with confidence. Unstinted praise is due the conductor and the singers for their splendid success.

The music while seemingly simple is classic. It is to be regretted that the orchestration could not have been heard with it. The fact seems to be that the orchestra selected fell down before the musical difficulties presented to them, and had to be politely but firmly dismissed. The suggestion is made that Elzie Hoffman or Bernardine Smith should be sent out to organize an orchestra among our resident players, that they should all meet and practice regularly with vocalists' under the same conductor, and at the next production say next spring let us have a finished and well studied production with its own orchestra, a recruited chorus of not less than double its preseht number and Miss Lola Johuson as the soprano soloist. While it was truly magnificent and creditable success, it is equally true that there is room for improvement, and it would be unwise to say otherwise, much profitable study could be given to the relationship of the words to the music and the interpretation of of the thought of the composer not expressible in characters. Take at random as an instance, the chorus beginning with:

"In the wigwam of Nokomis"

referring specially to these lines-

"She was lying, the beloved"
"She was dying, Minnehaha.

which received only a business like rendition without a shade of emotion.

This same chorus by the way is rich with opportunities for fine effects and contrasts if only studied out.

Take another instance of overlooked opportunity in:

"But there came no other answer
Than the echo of his crying
Than the echo of the woodlands."

The piece is overun with undiscovered beauties yet to be brought to light.

The chorus "attacks" were never beyond good; several times much less. There can be no valid excuse for that.

One for the conductor is the fact that on two or three occasions he signalled the chorus to begin, while the end of the interlude had not been reached, to their credit they did not go off either time. It is also to his credit, because it shows how thoroughly drilled they were at his rehearsals. At only one time there appeared to be danger of a bad break. In the final chorus some singers went astray through momentary inattention, but were soon picked up and sent through a magnificent finish. There was one voice in the altos, and one volce in the tenors, of the quality that makes angels weep. They should be promptly located and firmly dislocated without fear, favor or affection.

When the lamented Alice Strange Davis was called from her labors here to a higher life, a committee of musical people selected by a committee of the school board held an examination of competitors for the vacancy as musical director in the colored schools.

The writer has seen a copy of their report, which was unanimously that Layton stood far ahead of all who ere in it. Never the less when the appointment was made it was not Layton. have always wondered why; and sitting there listening to the splendid results of unaided labors, I wondered whether some explanation was not due from some in that audience, for the discrediting of their own selected committee and the turning down of such a competent man. I cannot think it out by myself, so I mention it.

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### Industrious Indians.

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